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SONIC: GENESIS

PART ONE



WELCOME TO A *WHOLE NEW WORLD*--ONE *UNIQUE* AND *BEYOND* WHAT YOU KNOW FROM THE *SEGA GAMES*!--
WHERE WE BEGIN THE *ALL-NEW, ALL-DIFFERENT*
ADVENTURES OF A SPEEDY BLUE HERO NAMED
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

WHOA...
FEELS LIKE
I DOZED OFF
FOR A
MINUTE
THERE...!
WHAT WAS
I DOING
AGAIN?...

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Genesis

Part One: *IN THE BEGINNING...*



THAT'S RIGHT,
DUDES ARE
MISSING, AS
WELL AS A
TON OF
ANIMALS...!

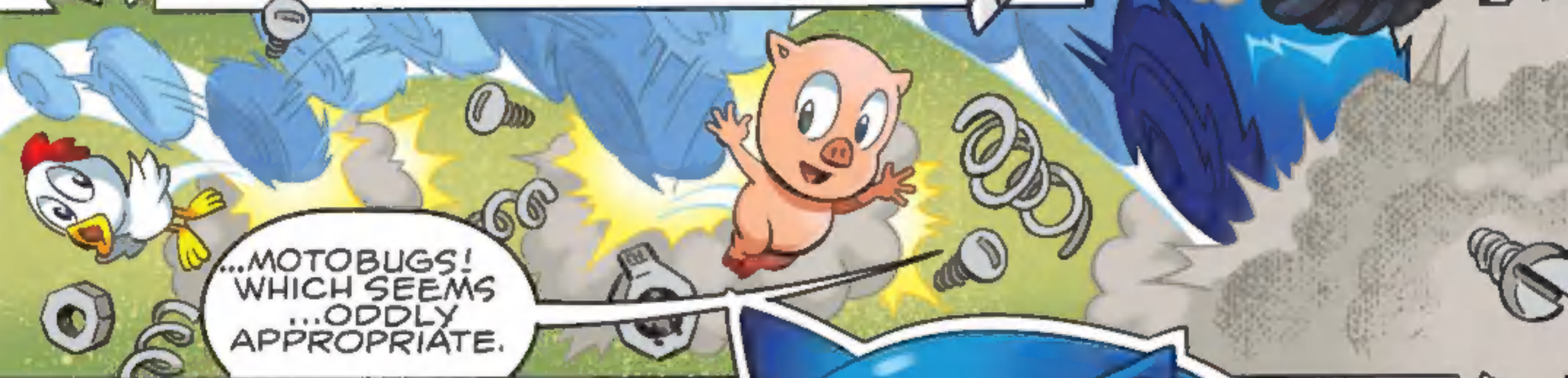
AND I'M
JUST THE
HEDGEHOG
TO FIND OUT
WHAT'S
GOING ON!

I DON'T
THINK
EVERYONE
DECIDED TO
MIGRATE OR
GO ON A
VACA--

YOW!
WHAT'S
THAT?!



BESIDES
UNFRIENDLY.



LIKE... REALLY APPROPRIATE. HUH, I GUESS THIS SOLVES THE MYSTERY OF WHAT HAPPENED TO ALL THE ANIMALS, AT LEAST.





HEY,
THERE.

SO...WHO
BUILT
YOU--

--AND WHY
DID THEY
THINK IT WAS
COOL TO
STUFF YOU
FULL OF
CRITTERS?

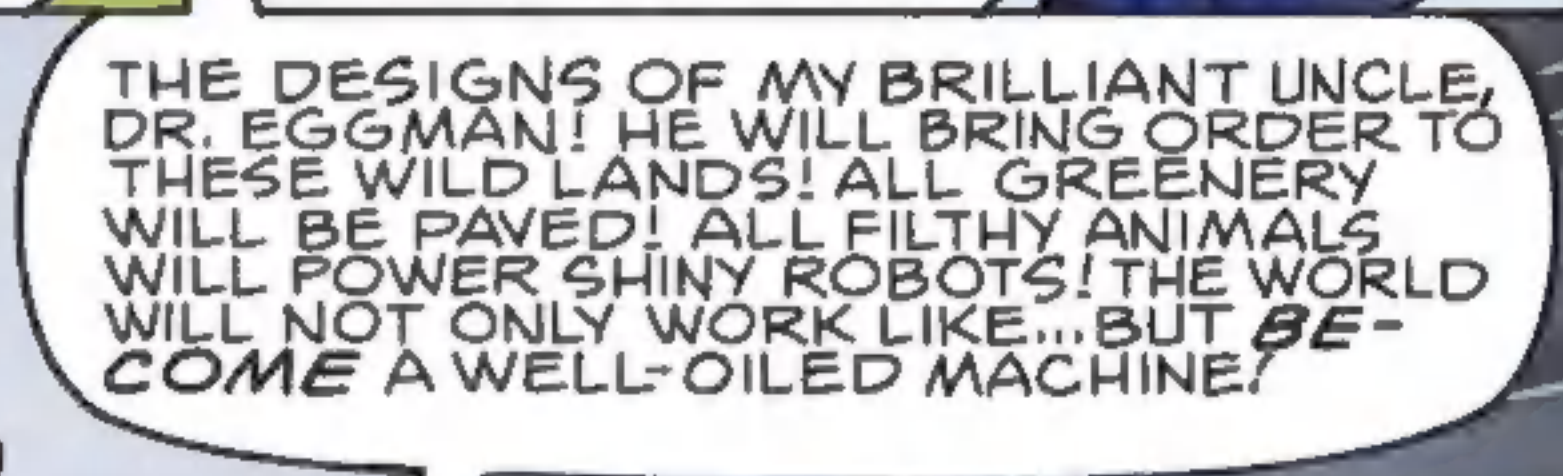
ALL RIGHT,
BUDDY--MUSH!
TAKE ME
TO YOUR
LEADER!

SOON...

AND WITH
THAT, I'VE
REACHED
QUOTA.

UNCLE
WILL
BE SO
PLEASED
WITH--

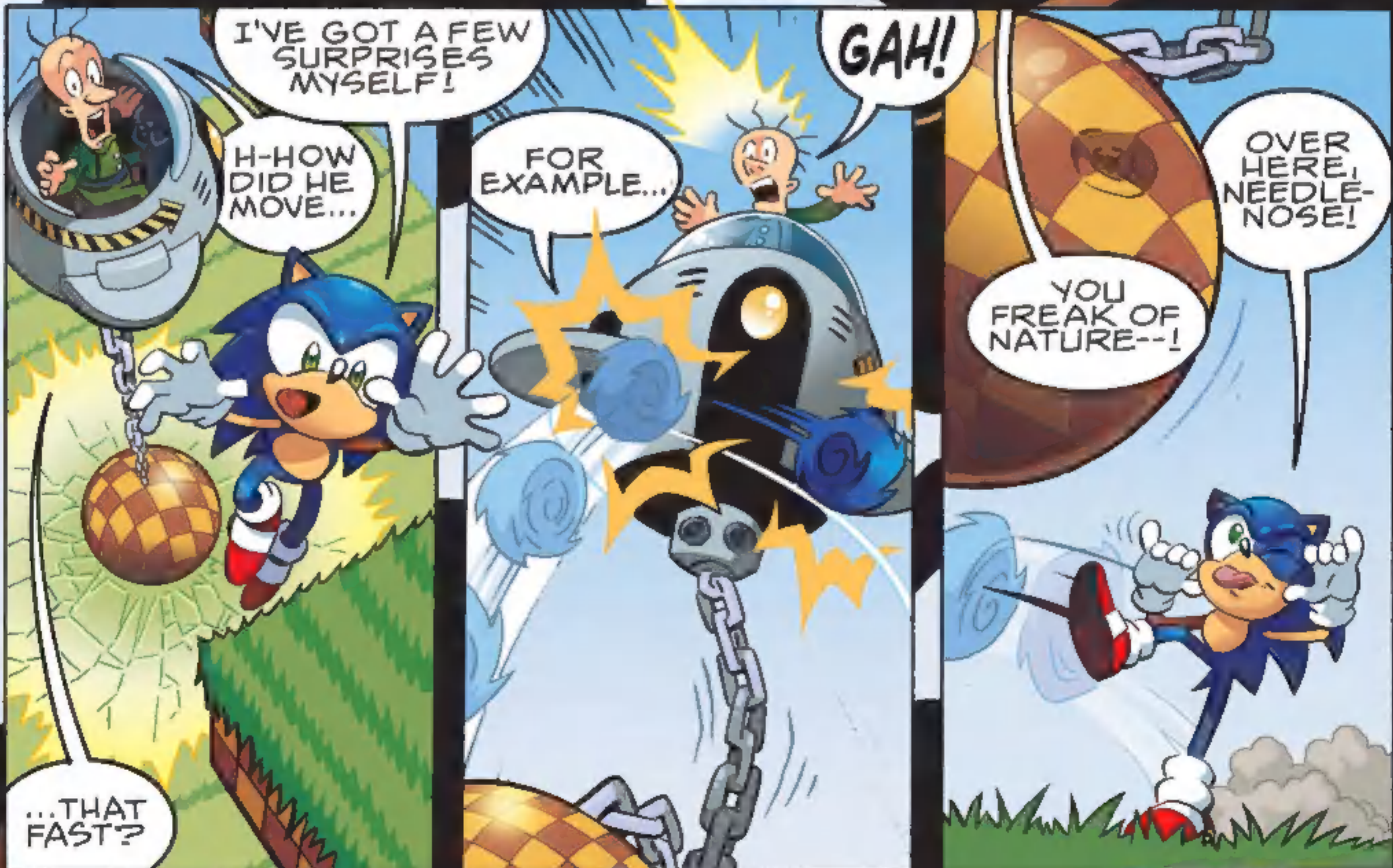
--MEEK?!





WHOA!
NEAT
TRICK!

BAH! AS IF
YOU COULD
UNDERSTAND,
YOU SMELLY
ANIMAL!



I'VE GOT A FEW
SURPRISES
MYSELF!

H-HOW
DID HE
MOVE...

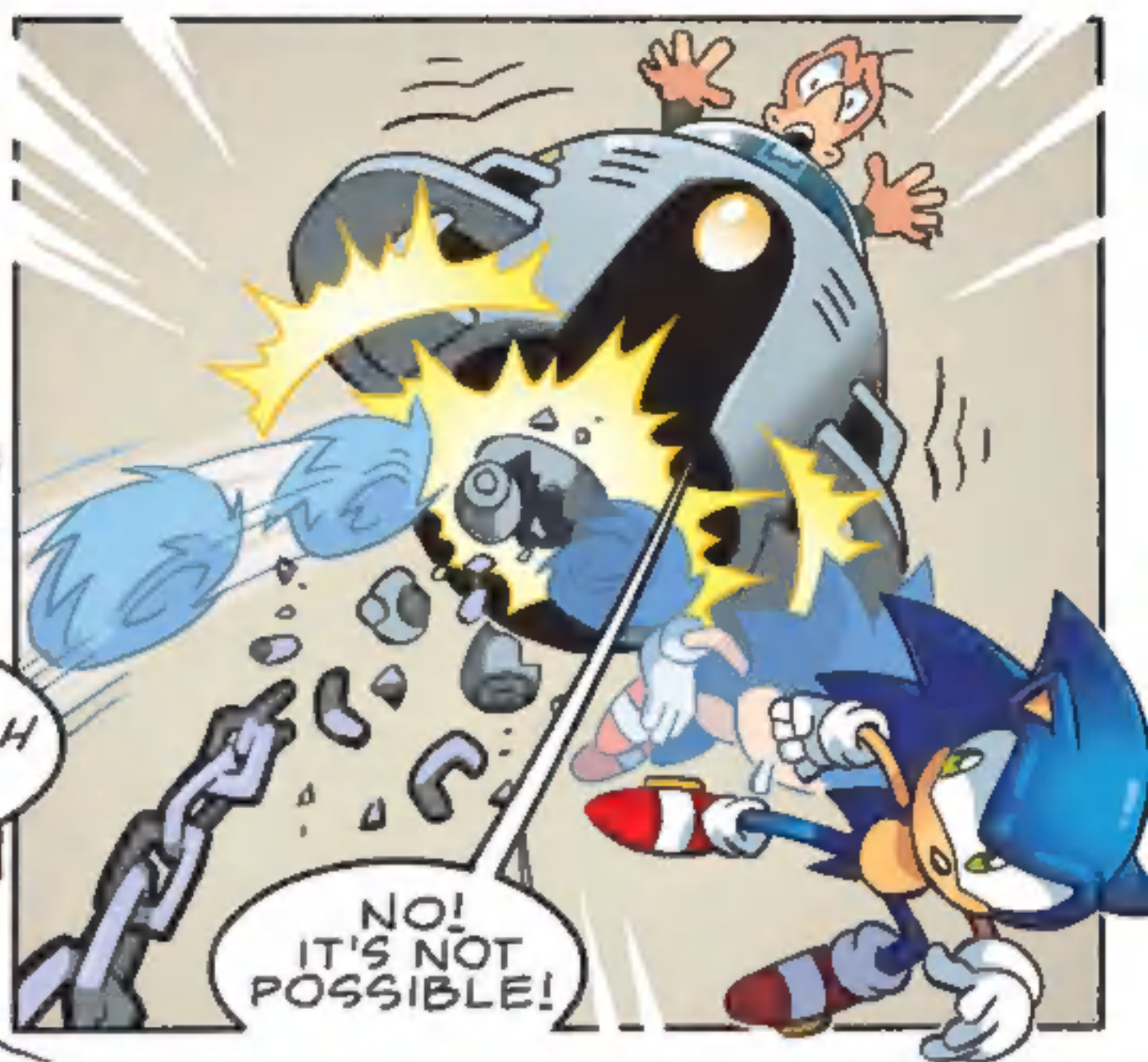
FOR
EXAMPLE...

GAH!

OVER
HERE,
NEEDLE-
NOSE!

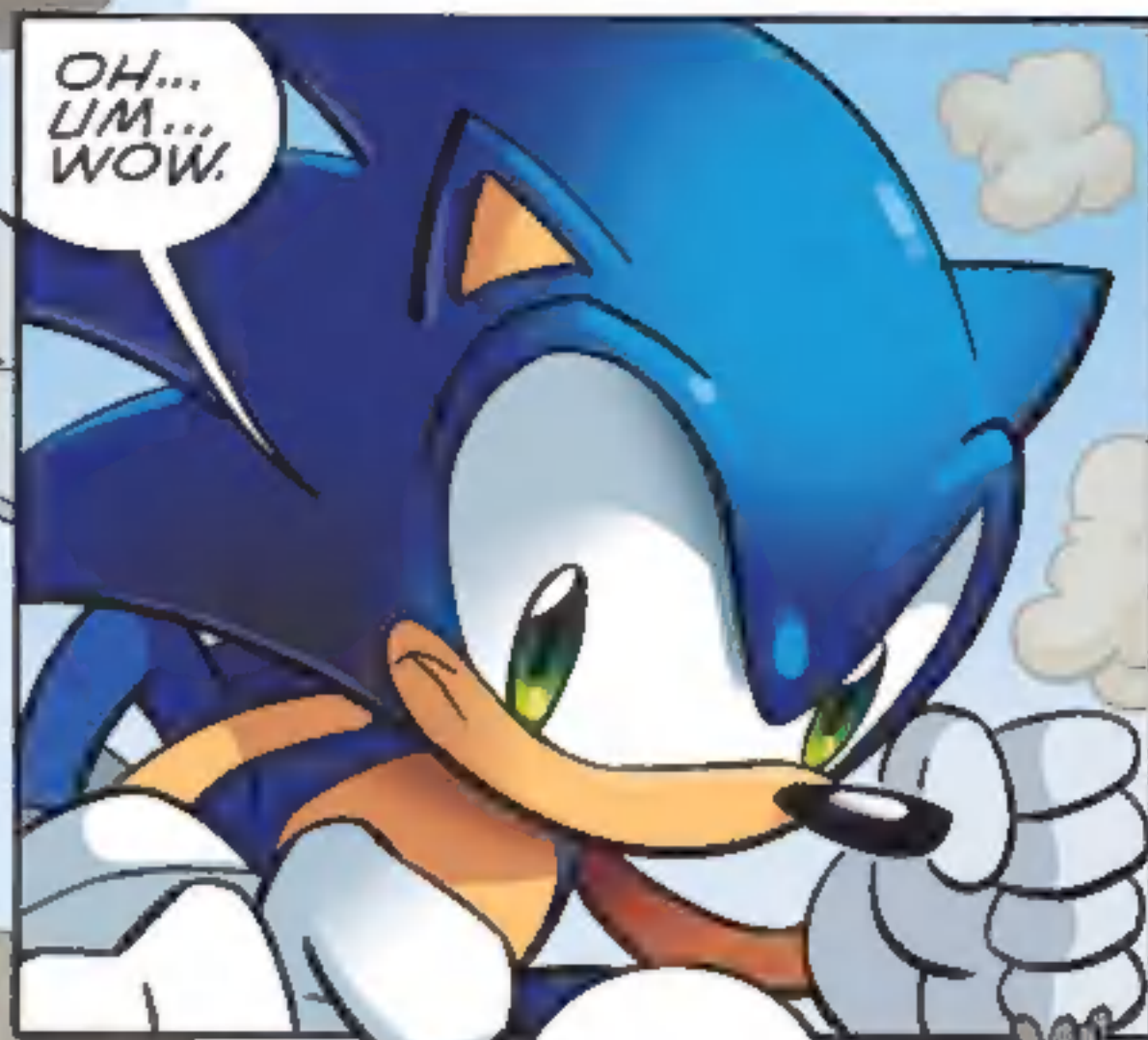
YOU
FREAK OF
NATURE--!

...THAT
FAST?





GAK! DOES EVERY-THING THIS EGGMAN GUY BUILDS EXPLODE ?!



OH... UM... WOW!



HELLO!



YOU...YOU MUST BE...

...OUR RESCUER.



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG. YOU'RE SOME OF THE FOLKS THAT WENT MISSING, RIGHT?

THAT'S RIGHT. MY NAME IS SALLY ACORN, THESE ARE MY FRIENDS, BOOMER WALRUS AND ANTOINE DEPARDIEU.

HEYA!

IS ZE HORRIBLE TINY MAN GONE?



NICE TO MEET YOU. NOW IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME, I'VE GOT MORE 'BOTS TO BASH!

NO! WAIT, PLEASE!

MAKE IT QUICK. NOBODY WILL BE RESCUING THEMSELVES.

MY FRIENDS AND I ARE TRYING TO GET TO THE SOURCE OF THE PROBLEM. WE WANT TO STOP THE MADMAN BEHIND THESE KIDNAPPINGS.

AND WHAT'S WORSE, WE THINK THE SAME GUY IS BEHIND ALL THE BIG EARTHQUAKES WE'VE HAD LATELY.

DR. EGGMAN IS RAVAGING THE LAND AND TERRORIZING THE PEOPLE.

WE'RE DEDICATED TO FIGHTING FOR OUR FREEDOM...

AND I--WE-- COULD REALLY USE SOMEONE LIKE YOU.

I DUNNO... YOU GUYS MIGHT SLOW ME DOWN!

WE'VE ALREADY SCOUTED A WAY TO HIS STRONGHOLD.

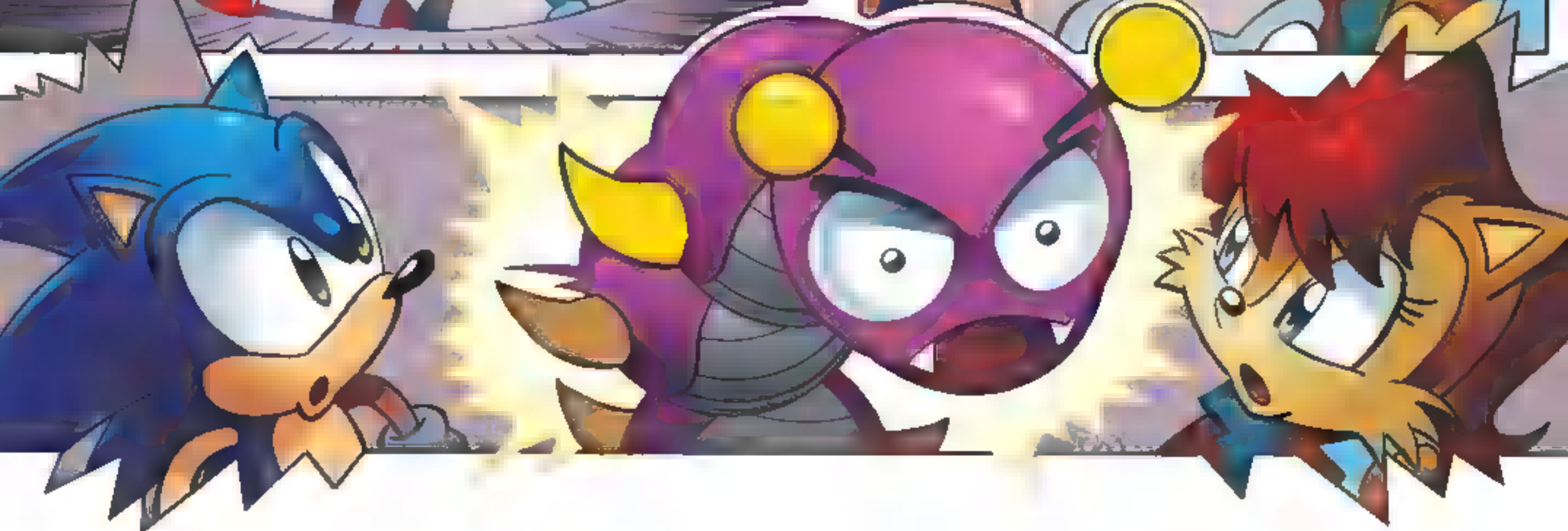
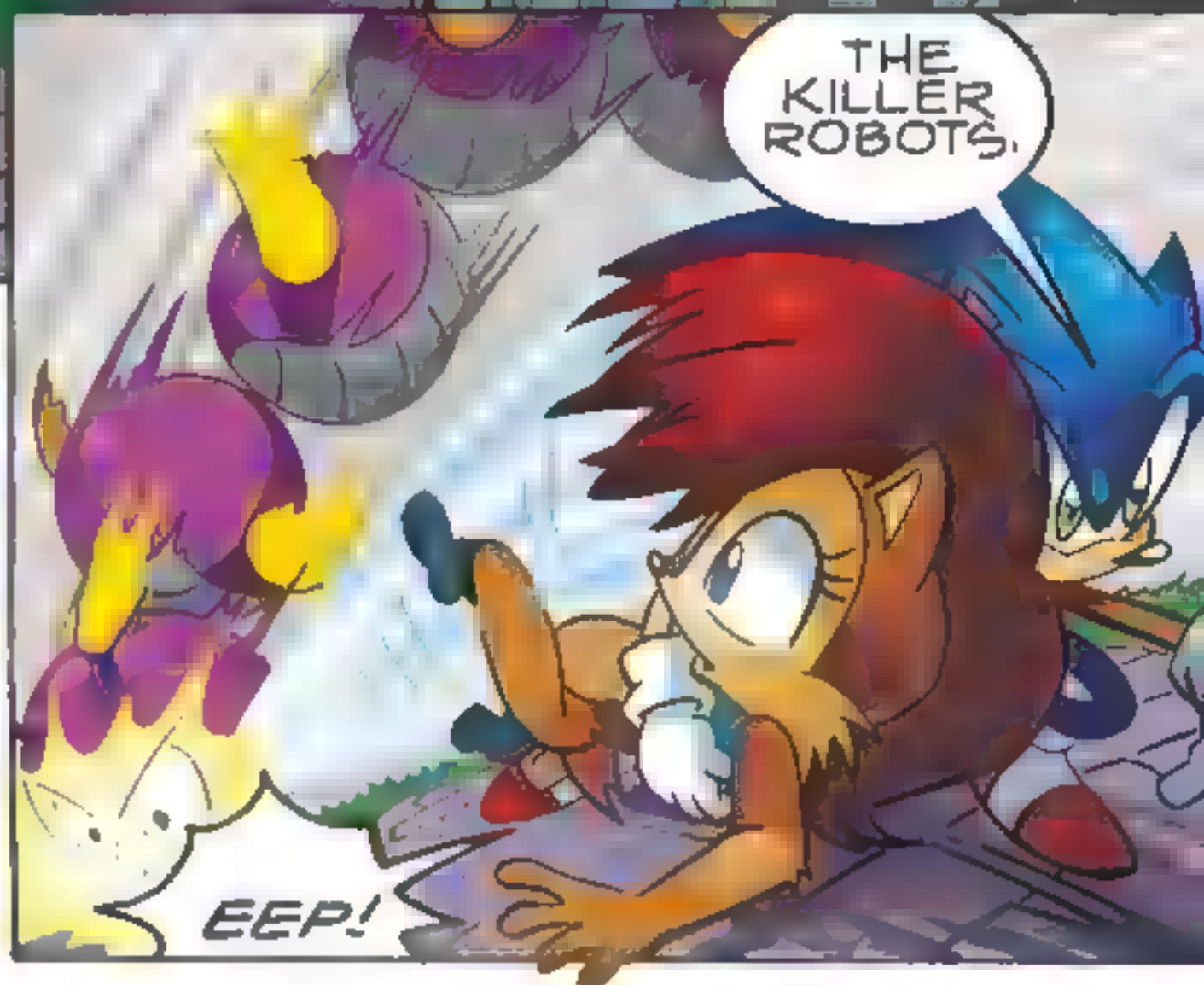
NOTHING'S QUICKER THAN A DIRECT ROUTE.

THEN BY ALL MEANS...

...LEAD THE WAY!

WOULD YOU KNOCK IT OFF?

I AM JUST WANTING TO BE SURE ZE COASTING IS CLEAR!





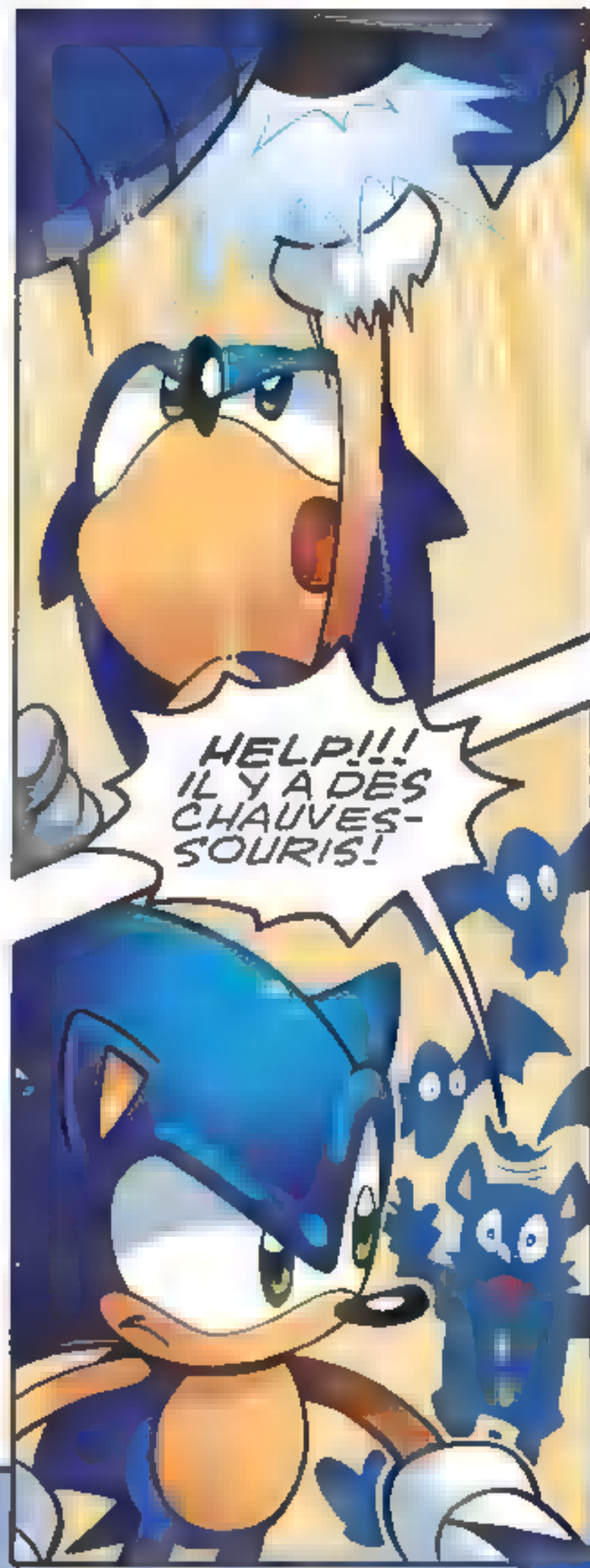
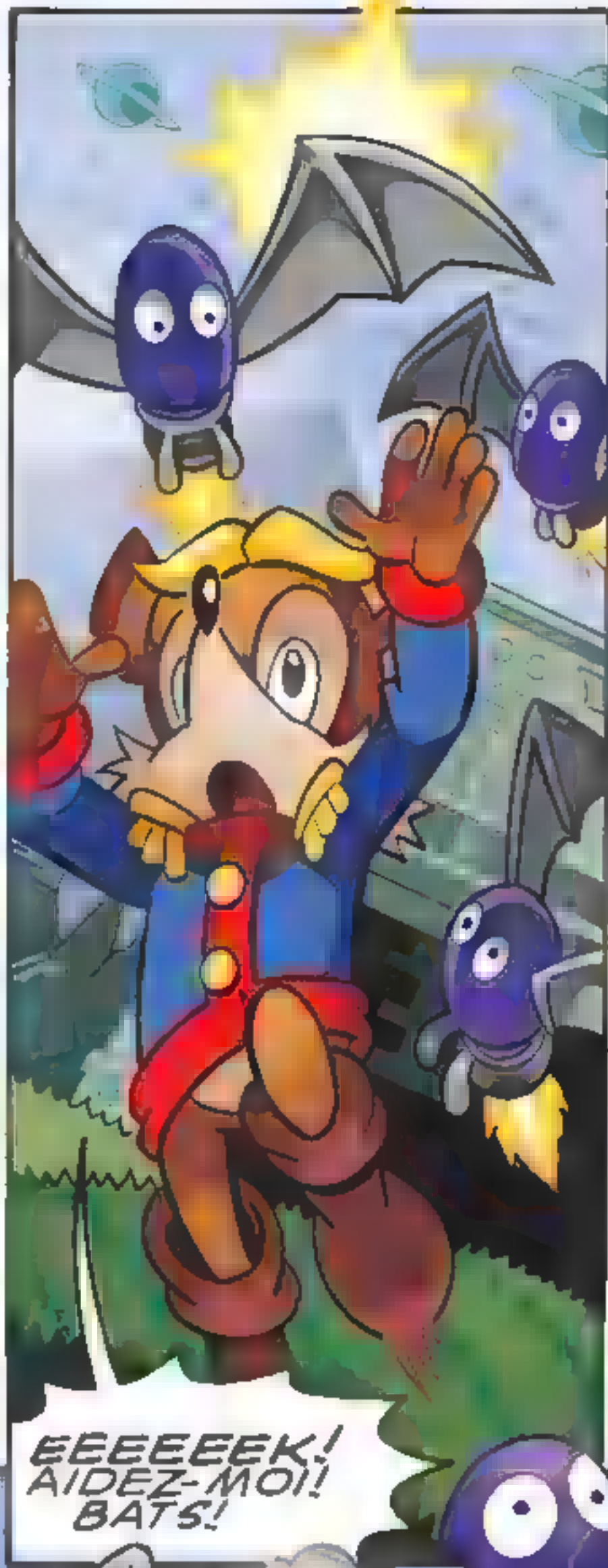
AND THAT'S WHY
THEY CALL YOU
"BOOMER,"
RIGHT?

ALWAYS
HAPPY
TO
HELP

HERE
COME
MORE,
BOYS!

I WOULD
JUST BE
GETTING IN
ZE WAY. I
SHALL WAIT
OVER HERE,
OKAY?
OKAY!

THERE
...NICE AND
SAFE.



WELL, THAT WAS
MODERATELY
ENTERTAINING...

THANK YOU,
ANTOINE!

ANTOINE?!



WAY
TO
GO!

WE NEVER
WOULD'VE SEEN
THAT AMBUSH
COMING!

AH, WELL,
AHOO-
HOO-HOO!
I DO WHAT
I CAN...



YEAH,
RIGHT.

HE MEANT
TO DO THAT,
MY SPINY
BLUE...



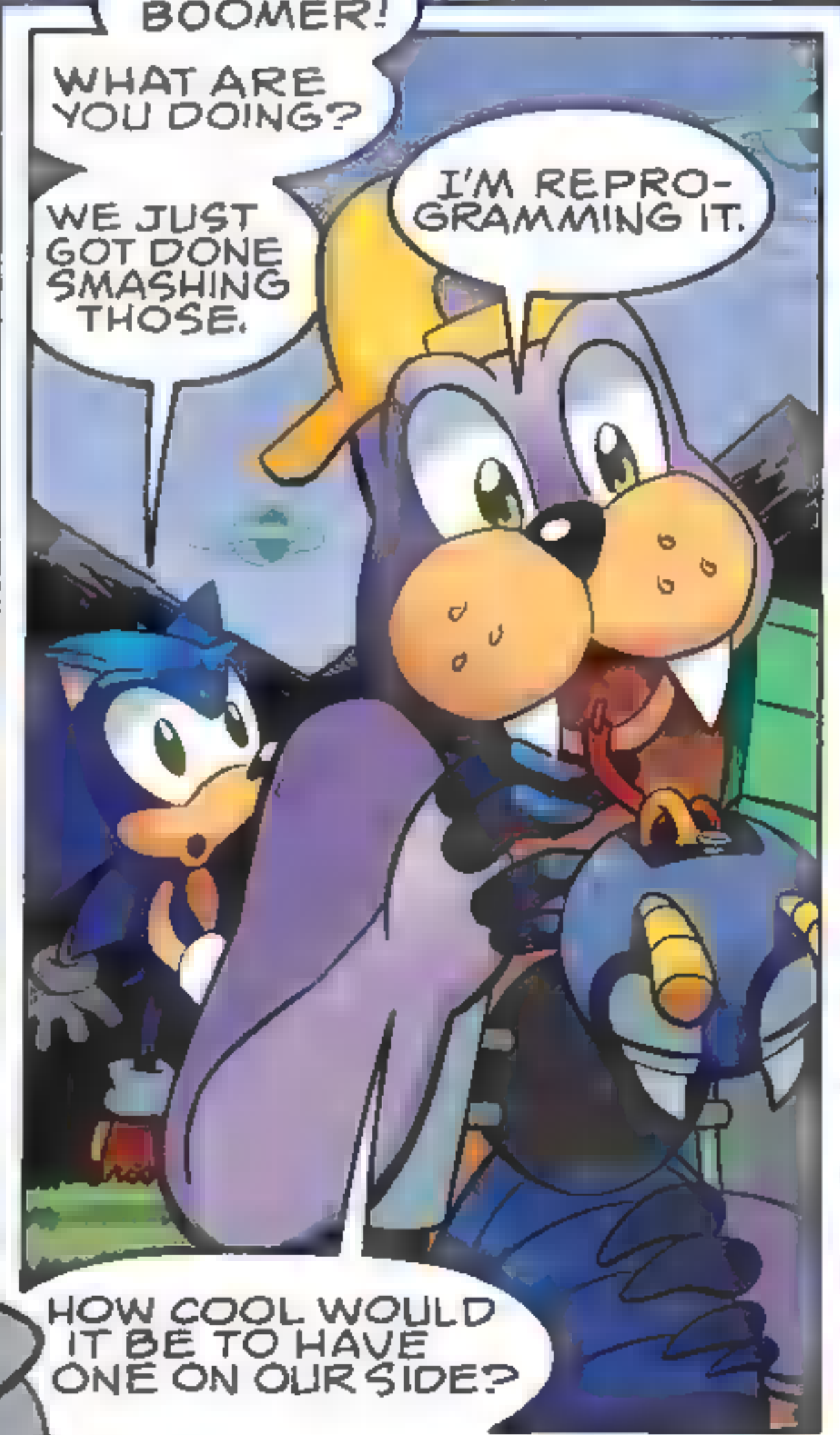
YO,
BOOMER!

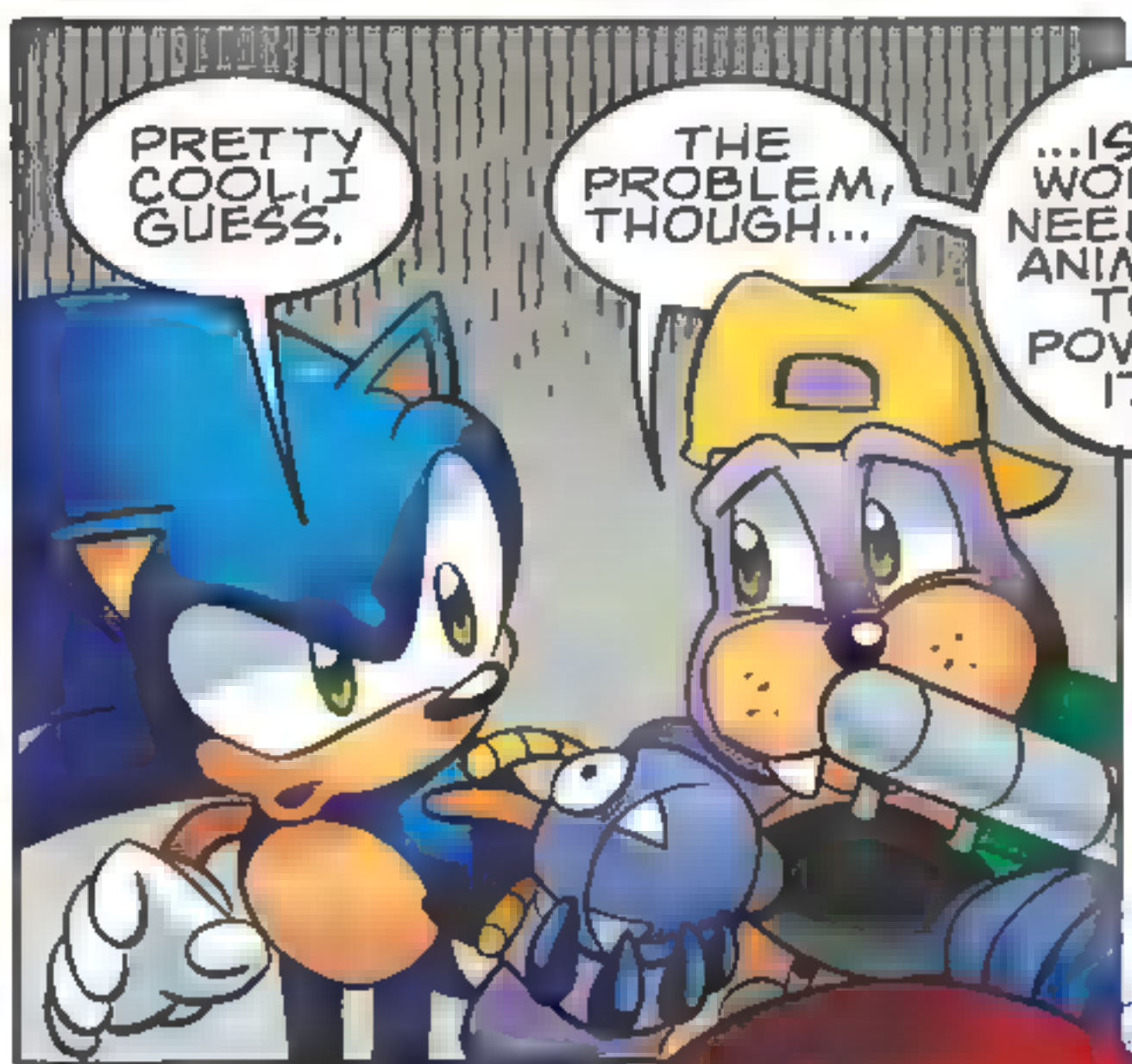
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?

WE JUST
GOT DONE
SMASHING
THOSE.

I'M REPRO-
GRAMMING IT.

HOW COOL WOULD
IT BE TO HAVE
ONE ON OUR SIDE?





...IS WE WOULD NEED AN ANIMAL TO POWER IT.



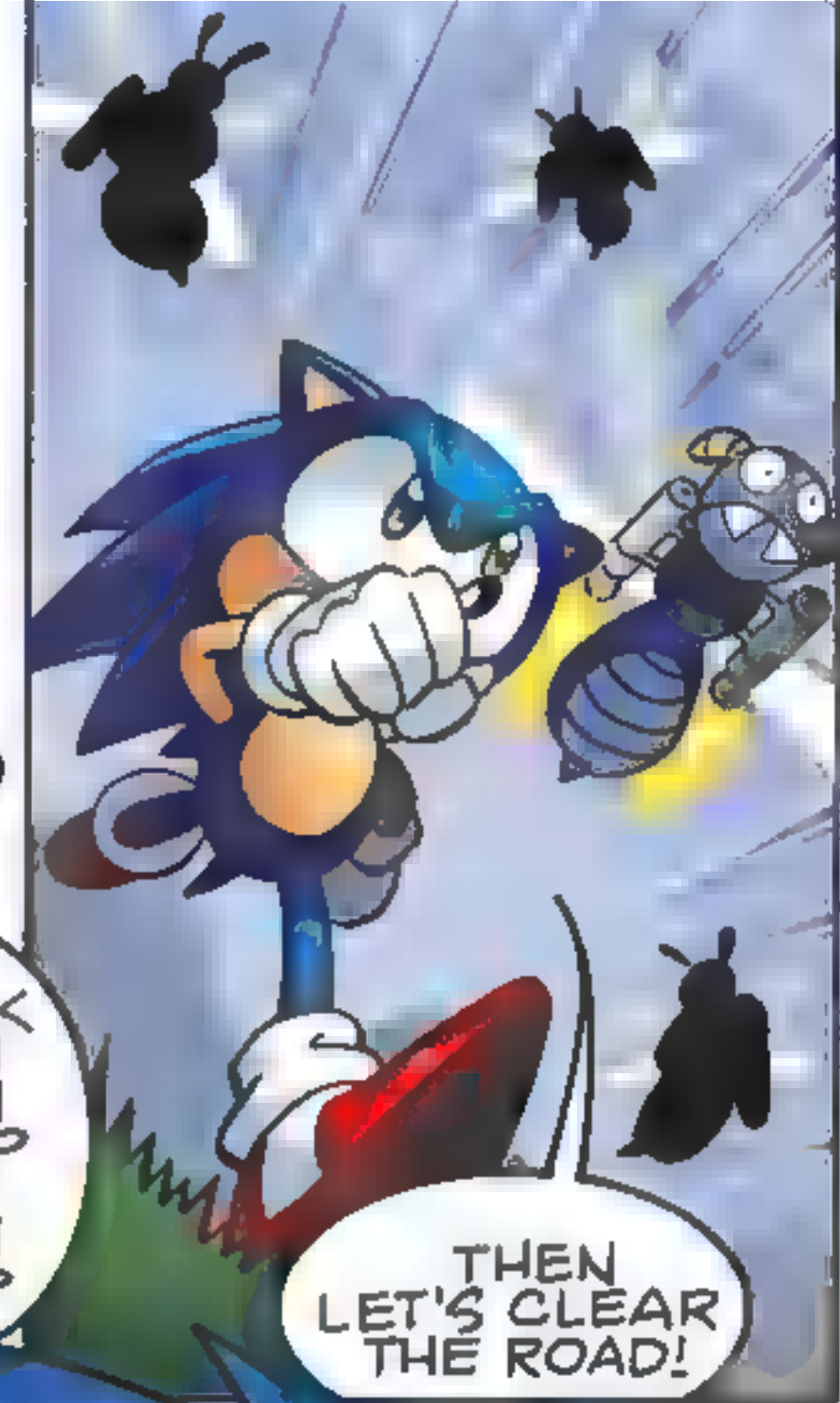
WOULD YOU RIDE INSIDE THE ROBOT FOR JUST A LITTLE WHILE? IT WOULD REALLY HELP US OUT.





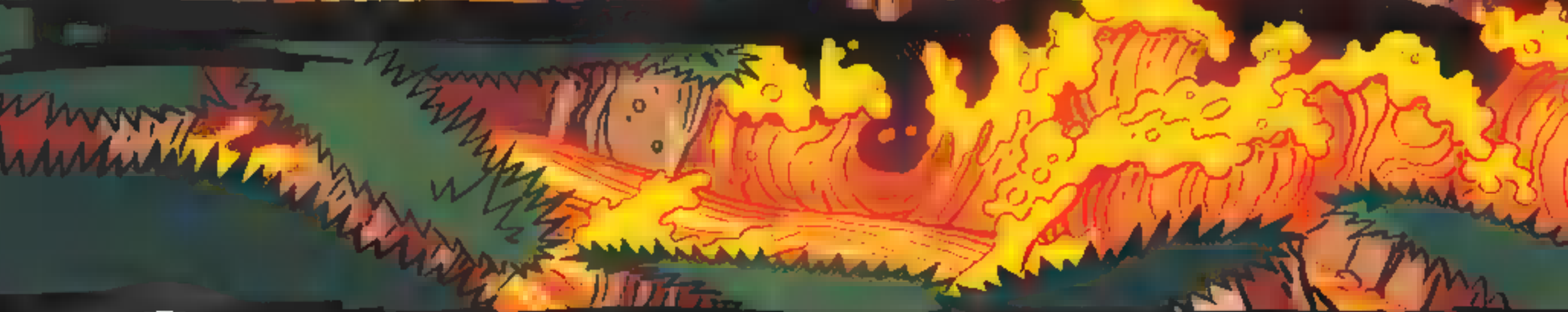
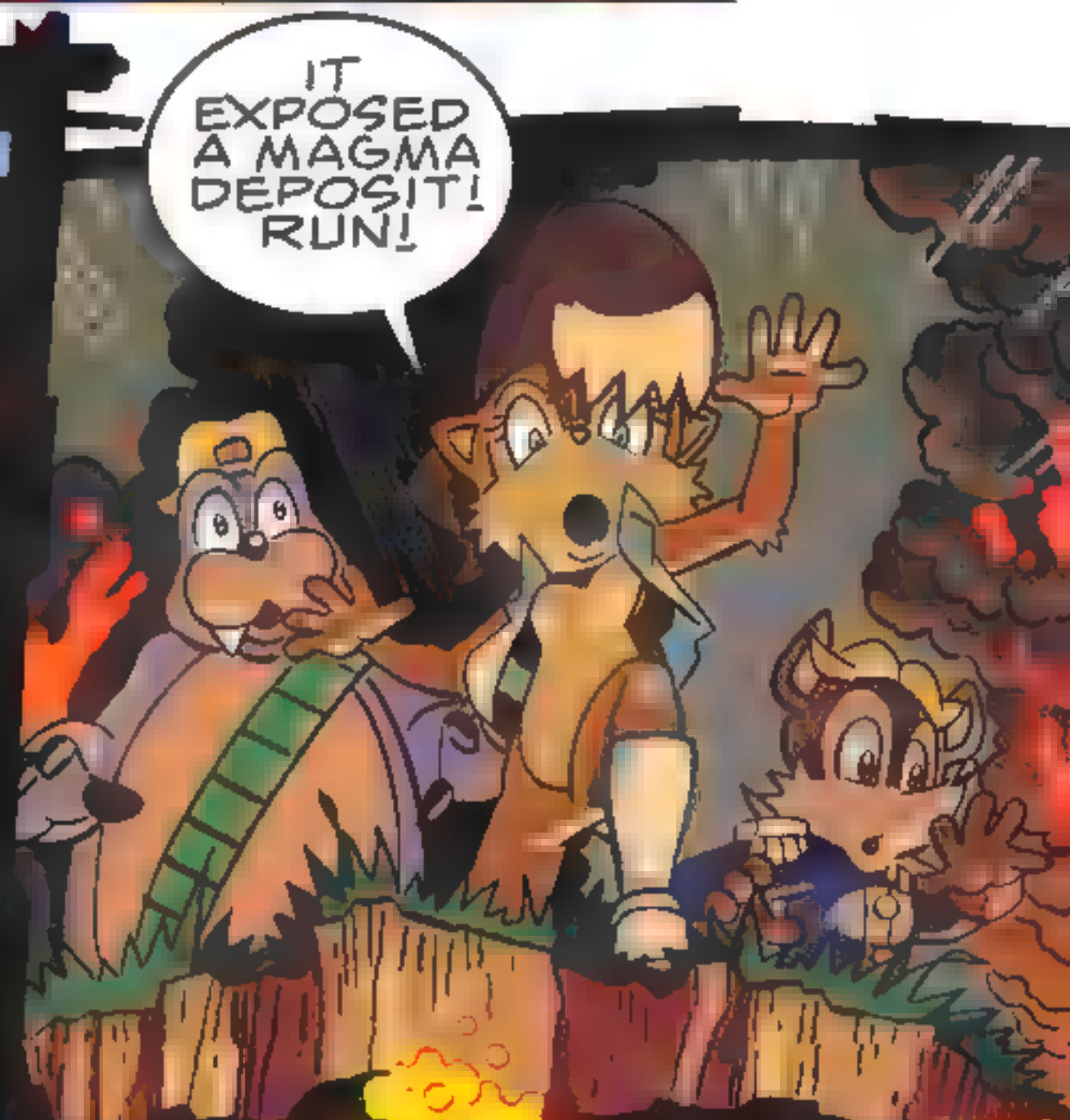
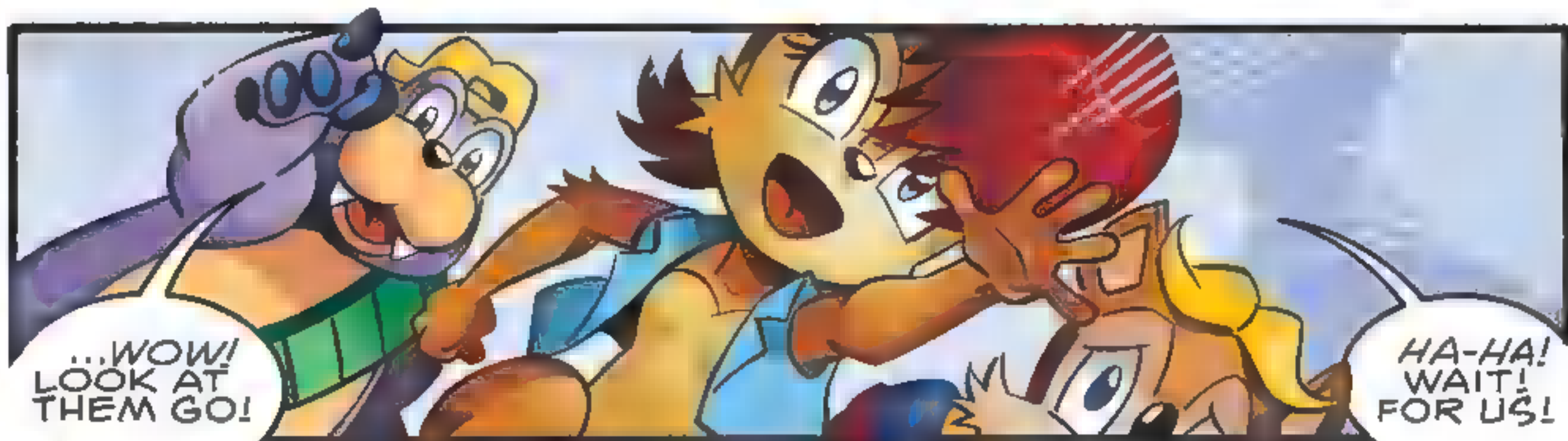
OKAY,
THAT'S
PRETTY
COOL.

THINK
YOU
CAN
KEEP
UP
WITH
ME?



THEN
LET'S
CLEAR
THE
ROAD!







HANG
ON,
GUYS!

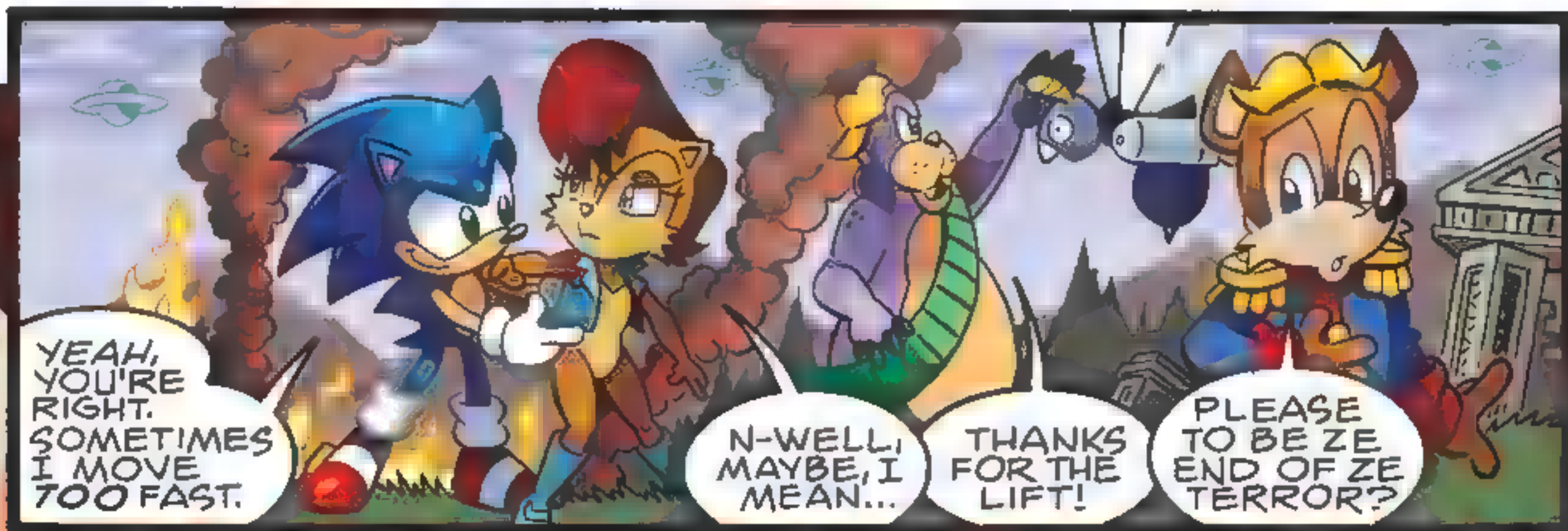
HANG
ON TO THE
BUZZ-
BOMBER,
BOYS!

OKAY,
YOU WON
ME OVER,
BOOMER!

THAT THING'S
PRETTY COOL
FOR SURE!

IS IT HOT OUT
HERE, OR IS IT
JUST YOU?

S-SONIC!
THIS IS
HARDLY THE
TIME OR
PLACE...



YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT. SOMETIMES I MOVE TOO FAST.

N-WELL, MAYBE, I MEAN...

THANKS FOR THE LIFT!

PLEASE TO BE ZE END OF ZE TERROR?



THE TERRORIZING HAS JUST BEGUN!

MYAH HA HA HA HA!

ZUT ALORS!



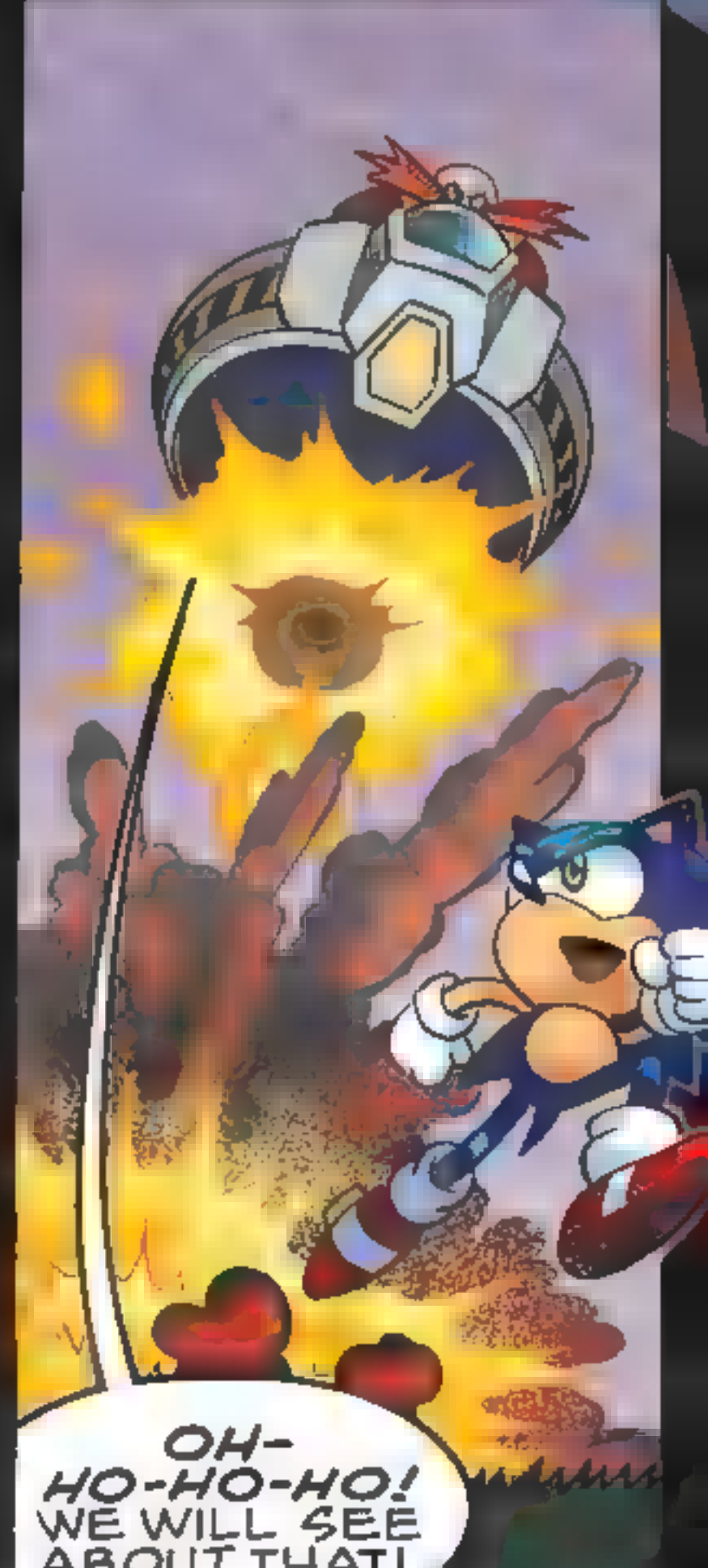
LOOKING AT YOUR OH-SO-ROUND SHAPE, I GUESS YOU'RE THIS "EGGMAN" GUY EVERYONE'S TALKING ABOUT?

INDEED...

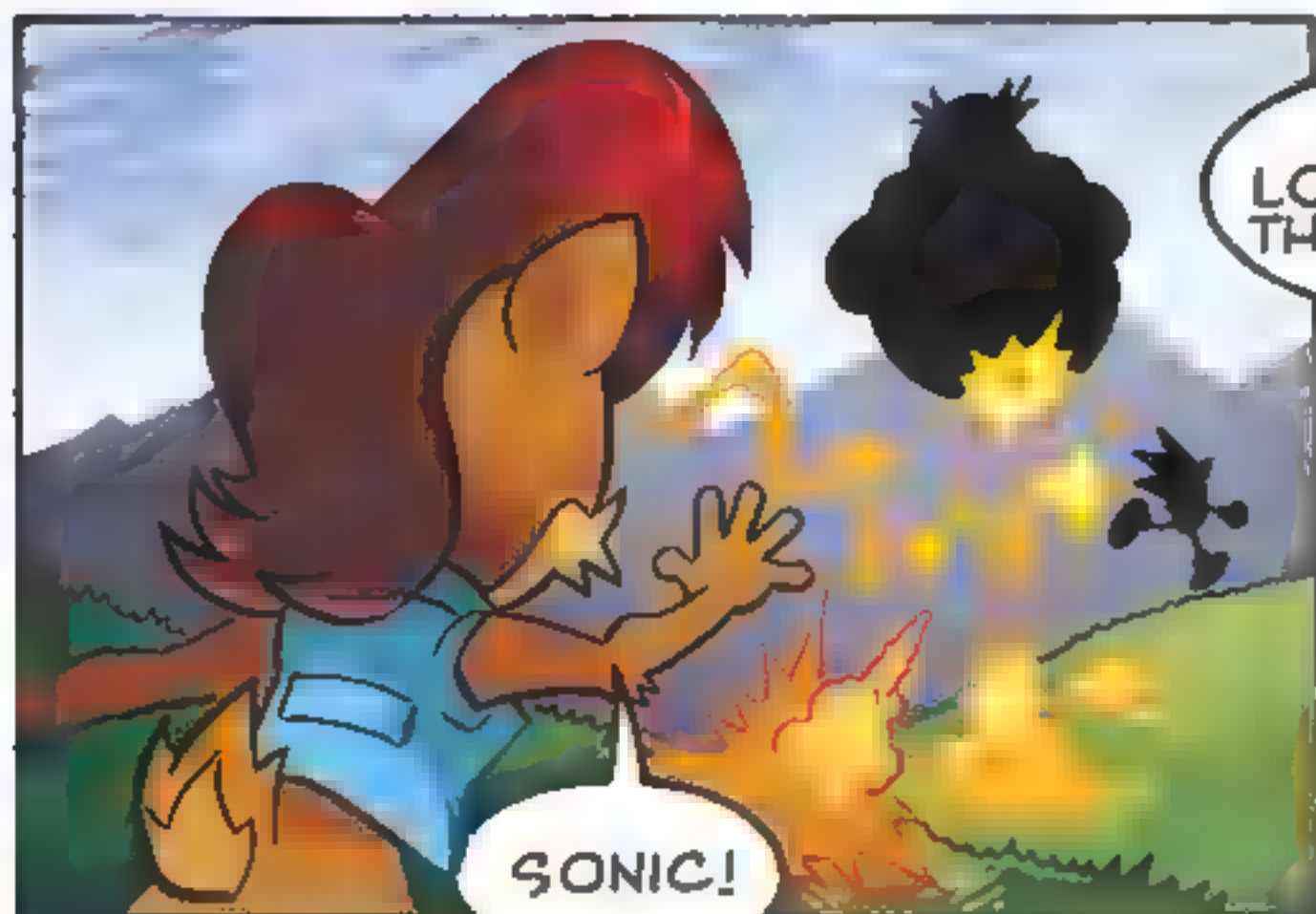


AND YOU MUST BE SONIC, THE NASTY LITTLE BOY WHO BULLIED MY NEPHEW THIS MORNING.

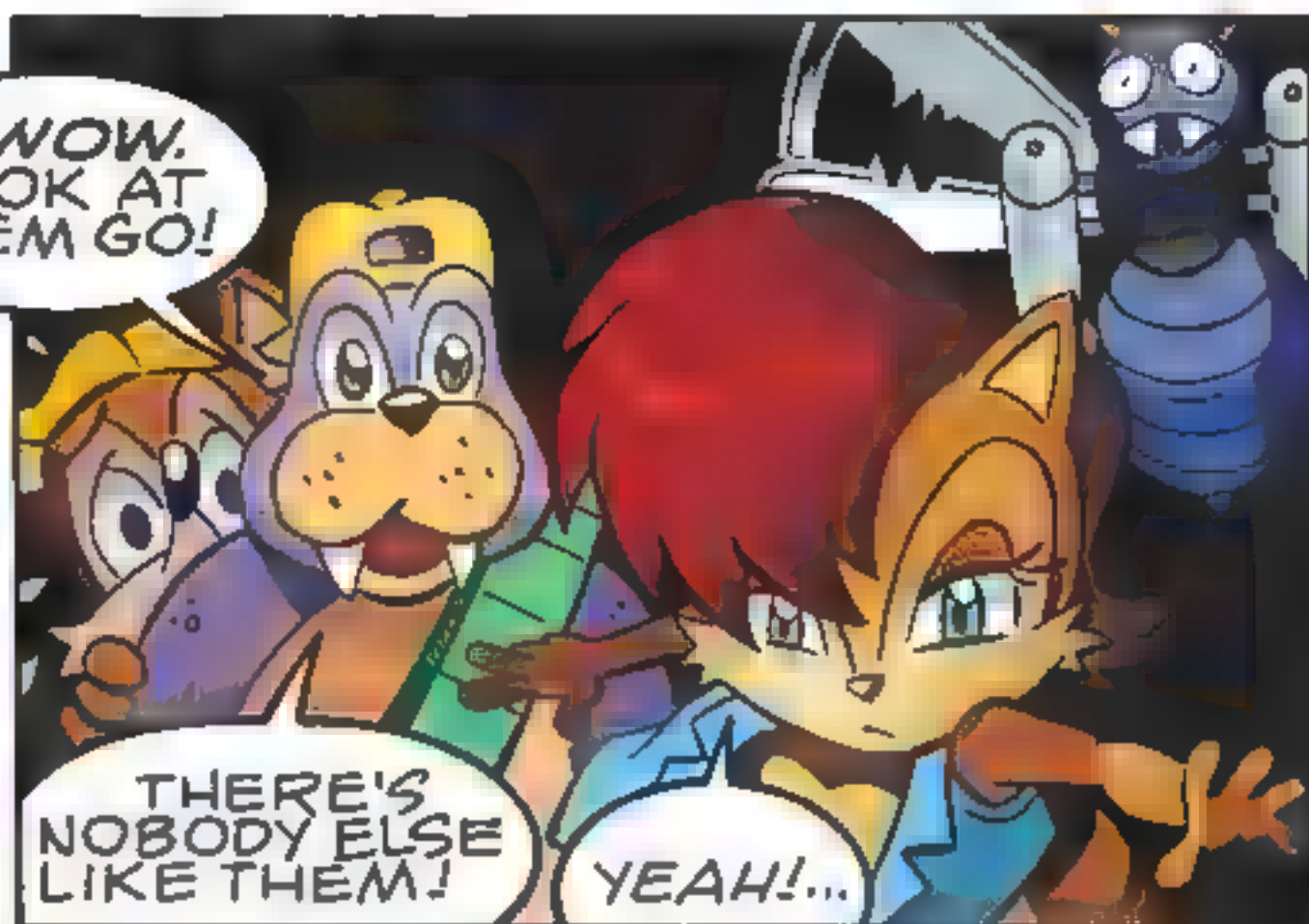
YEP, I CAN'T WAIT TO DO THE SAME TO YOU.



OH-HO-HO-HO! WE WILL SEE ABOUT THAT!

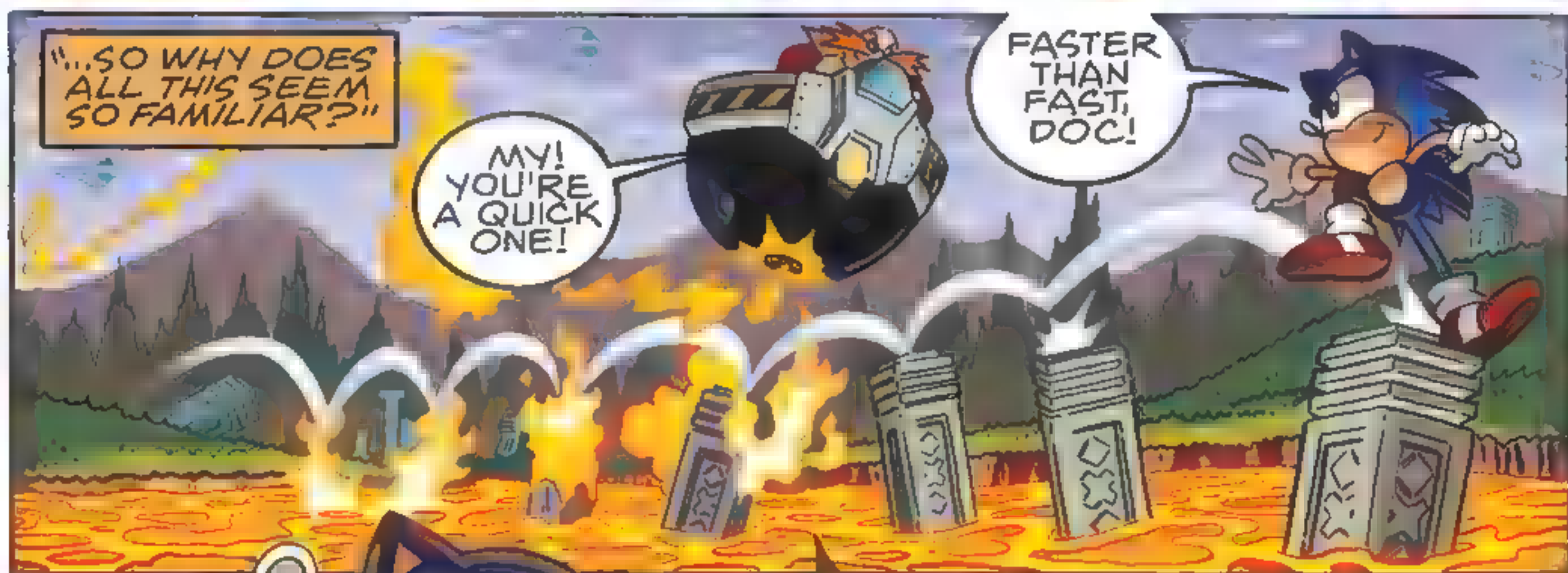


WOW.
LOOK AT
THEM GO!



THERE'S
NOBODY ELSE
LIKE THEM!

YEAH!...



FASTER
THAN
FAST,
DOC!

"...SO WHY DOES
ALL THIS SEEM
SO FAMILIAR?"

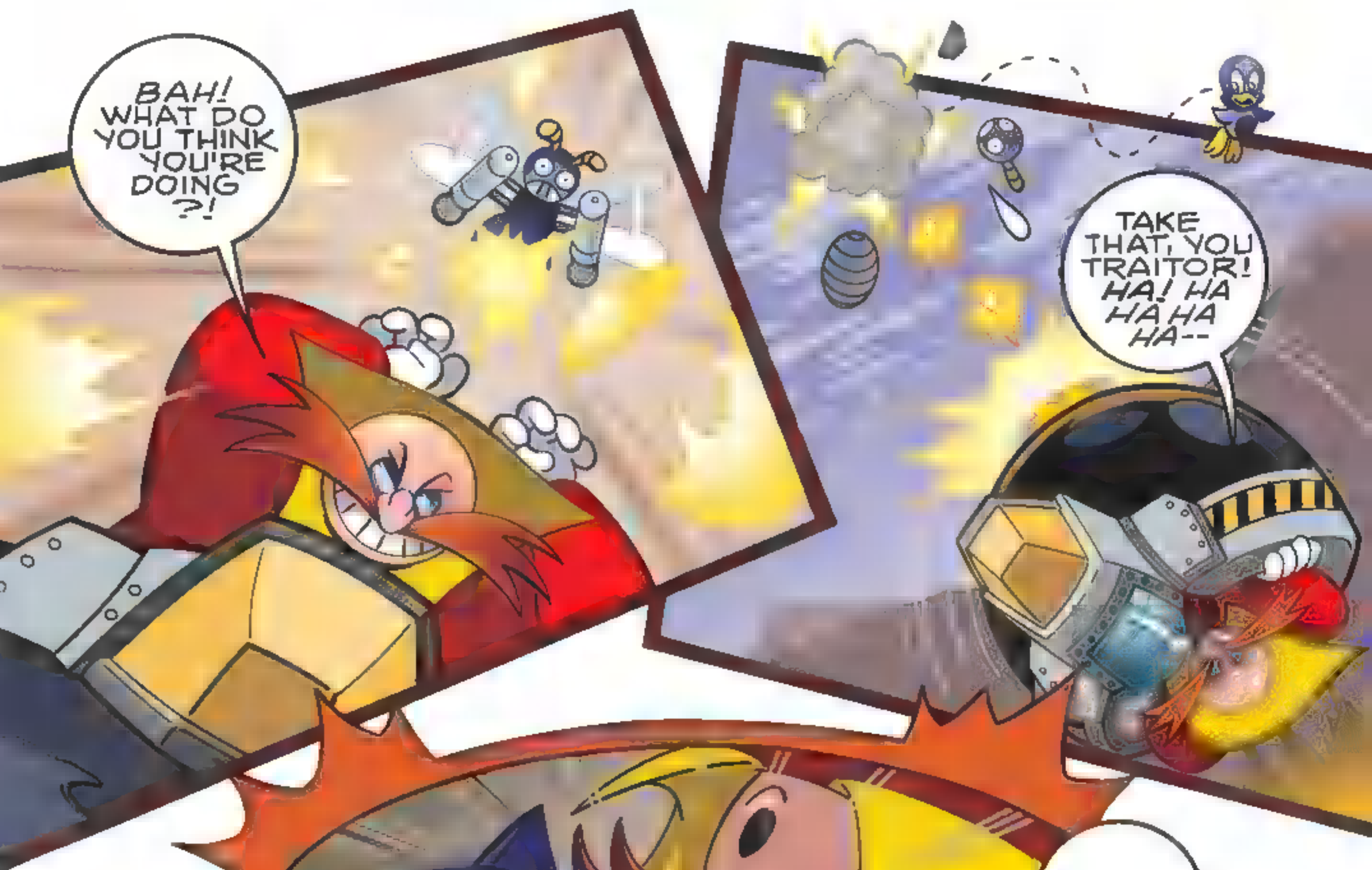
MY!
YOU'RE
A QUICK
ONE!



AND
SWIFTER
THAN SW--
OOPS!
THAT'S
NOT
GOOD.



NO, NOT
GOOD AT ALL.
GAME OVER,
RODENT.







YOW... HE'S NOT KIDDING.

BUT YOU KNOW WHAT?

IT DOESN'T FEEL THAT WAY.



BEING WITH YOU GUYS SEEMS... RIGHT.



I'M GLAD YOU FEEL THAT WAY.

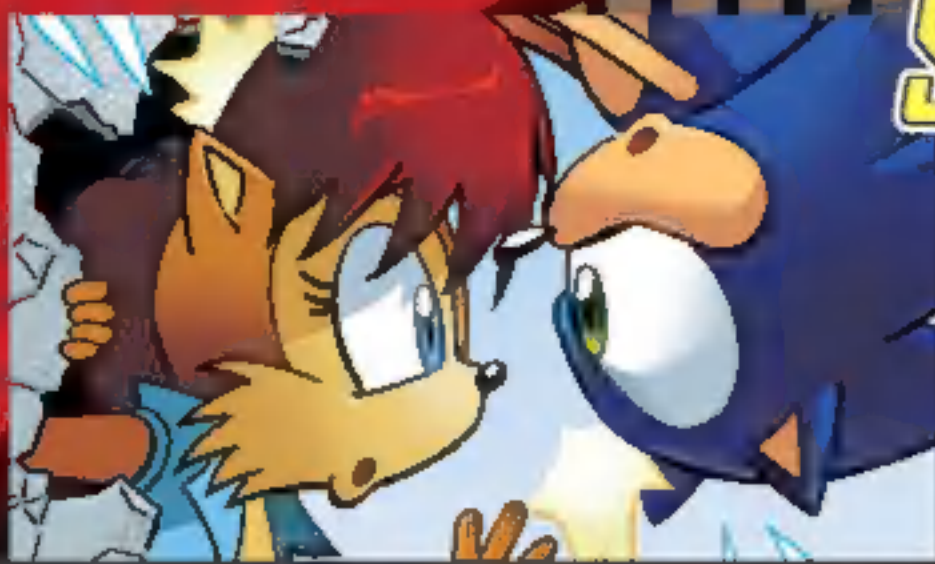


LET'S GO, GANG.

WE'LL SHOW EGGMAN HE SHOULDN'T HAVE MESSED WITH OUR WORLD!

WELCOME TO THE *BEGINNING* OF A *WHOLE NEW ADVENTURE*! WHAT *NEW PERILS* WILL OUR HEROES FIND IN THIS *NEW WORLD*?

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Hey there, Sonic fans! You've been sending in your letters and letting your voices be heard concerning the aftermath of Sonic the Hedgehog #225! Here's some of what you wrote in to sonic@archiecomics.com and told us!

Dear Sonic-Grams,
I am in tears because it really looks like Sally was killed off in issue 225. If you really killed Sally, then it is a terrible betrayal of all the fans who have been there since the very beginning of the Sonic the Hedgehog comics. I have nearly all 225 comics, and Sally is my favorite. I know she is not in the games, but please don't kill her off, and for the love of all things holy, DO NOT LET SONIC END UP WITH AMY!!! She is too young for him. I know she wished herself older, but that is still creepy!

**Tearfully yours,
Danielle J.**

Feel better after reading this issue? Well I wouldn't breathe a complete sigh of relief just yet... Why?... You'll seeeee.....

Dear Sonic-Grams,
Archie Sonic, after reading the spoilers for #225, I admit I am disappointed and upset. I hope Sally isn't really dead, it would be a bad loss for the comic. Sally (and her relationship with Sonic) is a very important part of

what makes the comic special for me. I thought you would have learned that lesson during "Endgame." If Sally is really dead, sorry to say, but I could no longer support the comic book.

Dana F.

Hang in there, Dana! The ride gets WILDER from here!

Dear Sonic-Grams,
Sonic, don't freak out but I think your girlfriend is gone! I think I'll see her next issue in Sonic Genesis hopefully. You and Sally are meant to be a team and I like that! Please don't lose your memory soon! Classic Sonic better come back next issue or I'm disappointed! I love him cause that is the original Sonic. Playing Sonic games is my thing and so is reading Sonic comics! If we're going back to the days of yore with Sonic and Robotnik, that'll be awesome!!! It's a Sonic fan's dream to read a Sonic comic based on games especially the oldest ones such as Sonic Genesis 1, 2, 3, and 4!!! I can't wait! Woo-hoo!!!

**Sonic's #1 Fan,
Kristy C.**

Looks like you were on to something there, Kristy!

Dear Sonic-Grams,
I loved StH#225. But the ending was sad. I'm sure you had a good reason for Sally's departure

though. Anyways, I have two questions.
1) Will there be a major cast change for the series?

No. Well, yes. Well... no...not really...maybe a little...

2) Will Sonic Select Book 5 be all about Sally as a memorial?

Nope!

Oh, and one more question. Will I have to order countless back issues from the Sonic Checklist to see more of Sally from now on? (Homemade shameless plug)

You, sir, are awesome. And yes, you should be ordering tons of stuff from the Sonic Checklist at all times!

And finally, keep making the world's most way past cool comic way past cooler.

Troy M.

Thanks, Troy!

Dear Sonic-Grams,
Will it ever be explained what happened to Hershey St. John? Is she really dead? Is she going to make a comeback? She's one of my favorite characters and I was really surprised to hear about her death.

**Cassandra S.
Georgia**

Stay tuned, Cassandra! You have my word that all will be revealed!

See ya next month!

NEXT ACT: 227



THE EGGMAN COMETH!
SONIC AND HIS NEW FRIENDS SET THEIR SITES ON THE BIG KAHUNA NEXT ISSUE! DON'T MISS ALL THE ACTION IN: "SONIC: GENESIS" PART TWO (OF FOUR)
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